

OPPOSE SELF-GOVERNMENT.

Filipino Natives Say That Independence Would Result in Chaos, Endless Tribal Wars and European Intervention.

Manila, April 13.—The United States Philippine commission is hearing the leading residents of various nationalities, priests and Spaniards, numbers of them appearing voluntarily on the subject of the future of the islands. The questions put to all are: "Do you believe the Filipinos are capable of self-government in the townships?" "Do you believe the Filipinos are capable of self-government in the provinces?" "Do you believe the Filipinos are capable of self-government in the archipelago?" All of those who have been interrogated, including Filipinos who sympathize theoretically with independence, have replied to the third question with remarkable unanimity in the negative. Independence, they say, would result in chaos, endless tribal wars and European intervention. A few of them think that provincial self-government is practicable, but most of them favor self-government in the townships with a form of American supervision protecting the inhabitants against the speculations and extortions which their experience with the Spanish regime has led them to consider the natural perquisites of officialdom.

The commercial classes urge the sending of detachments of American troops, each numbering about 100 men, to take possession of the towns in the southern provinces and in the Visayas islands, now held by small bands of Tagalos. They declare the natives find the Tagalos' oppression worse than Spanish oppression and that they will welcome the Americans.

LAWTON'S ONWARD MARCH.

His Victorious Army Captured Two More Places on the 12th, Putting the Rebels to Flight.

New York, April 13.—A dispatch to the New York Herald from Manila says: Lawton's command captured the villages of Pagsajan and Lumban yesterday, with some resistance at the latter place. The mouth of the river, commanded by Lumban, was effectually blocked against the entrance of the gunboats. Shells from the Laguna de Bay drove most of the insurgents in flight up the mountain side. A small force remained in an old church side, offering resistance until it was rushed by the troops. About 50 were captured and several killed. There was one casualty among the Americans, that being an arm wound.

While it is probable that there is an end to the big engagements in the Philippines between the Americans and the Filipinos, the war is not at an end by any means. It is the universal opinion among army men here that it will require the presence of 50,000 American troops to occupy the territory that has been taken and to keep open communication among the islands.

Aguinaldo is reported to be in San Fernando and still in absolute charge of the defenses of the new capital and of Calumpit.

Chart for a New Railroad.

Guthrie, Ok., April 13.—Articles of incorporation for the reorganization of the Wichita & Denison Railway company have been filed with the territorial secretary and it is believed the survey for the new road will be commenced during the coming summer. It is intended to run the road from Denison, Grayson county, Tex., in a northerly direction through the Chickasaw nation, Pottawatomie, Lincoln, Payne, Noble and Kay counties, of Oklahoma, and Cowley, Sumner and Sedgewick counties, of Kansas, to Wichita. It will run through Shawnee, Chandler, Perkins, Tryon and Stillwater. The estimated length of the road is 325 miles and the estimated cost of construction is \$2,000,000.

No Successor to Co., Sexton.

Philadelphia, April 13.—The executive committee of the national council of the Grand Army of the Republic held two sessions at the local G. A. R. headquarters, in Independence hall, yesterday for the purpose of electing a commander-in-chief to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Gen. James A. Sexton. The committee decided to allow the senior vice commander to perform the duties of the commander until the next encampment.

An American Town in Mexico.

City of Mexico, April 13.—The great Mexican capitalist, President Teresa, of the International bank, and brother-in-law of President Diaz, is planning a townsite close to this city, on which he will build a regular American town, with houses on the American plan, electric light and traction and ample water supply. The town will contain 7,000 people. Mr. Teresa is a great admirer of the United States, where he has traveled extensively.

Oklahoma's Convicts.

Guthrie, Ok., April 13.—D. H. Martin, of the Kansas penitentiary, is in the city making the regular quarterly settlement with the territorial officials for the care of Oklahoma convicts at the big prison. The territory pays Kansas at the rate of 35 cents per day for each prisoner. Mr. Martin says that there are now about 740 convicts, exclusive of a few United States prisoners. Of this number Oklahoma furnished 180.

PLEASED WITH ALBERTA.

An Excellent Report from Wisconsin and Minnesota Delegates.

The opinion of five delegates from Minnesota and Wisconsin, published by the Edmonton Bulletin, are very complimentary to Northern Alberta. The report says:

"We must say with all sincerity that, driving all over the country for six days, we have not found one settler who was not more than pleased with the country and its productions, and will not return to the land he left. We have seen people here from all parts of the states and all doing well. We met a Dakota farmer by the name of McLean, who has informed us that he has raised more grain here in three years than he did in 13 where he came from, on half as much ground. We have seen a number of others, both men and women, and all speak in the same strain about Alberta. They all look well and contented; even the children are happy. In our drives over the country, in passing the countless schoolhouses, we could only see happiness in the faces of the little ones. We noticed them all well dressed, equal if not better than the same class of children in the State of Minnesota.

The wheat that is raised here is just beautiful, the kernel full and plump and may well be termed golden grain, yielding 30 to 55 bushels to the acre. This statement is not from one farmer, but from hundreds, who tell the same tale. Oats yield from 70 to 100 bushels to the acre, barley from 40 to 60 bushels and potatoes from 300 to 400 bushels to the acre.

We have taken particular notice of the climate in regard to the difference between this country and our own. When we left Ada, Minnesota, we were in the midst of a real Dakota blizzard. When we arrived at Edmonton we found the people on the streets still wearing summer clothing, no mittens on their hands and far less use for them. The country is simply more than we ever dreamed of. The printed matter sent out by the Government does not half tell of the grand country in Alberta, open for millions of people to make beautiful homes for themselves. Too much cannot be said in praise. It is all and more than the greatest eulogist ever thought of giving to the public.

We saw cattle and horses in herds grazing on the prairie like in summer time, all sleek and fat. We were informed by several farmers that most of the stock run out all winter. We also found the market extra good here for beef and pork. Hogs fetch 4½¢ live weight. Three-year-old steers will bring from \$10 to \$15 right from the prairie. Coal and wood are here in abundance. Coal is sold in the town of Edmonton for \$2 per ton and farmers can secure coal at the mines themselves for 75¢ per load.

Before closing we say to you one and all, come to Alberta, where there are homes for millions and a promise for something to lay by for an old age. We are well satisfied with this country, and as evidence have each bought a half section of C. P. R. land in township 55, range 21, west of the 4th initial meridian, and will return next spring to reside.

Hoping this may be of some benefit to the overburdened farmers of the United States.

Sent by Floyd Dean, son of E. S. Dean, of Beanville, Mich., who is now in Alberta, and has taken up 160 acres there.

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Stocks.....	3 00 @ 5 25
Native cows.....	2 25 @ 4 50
HOGS—Choice to heavy.....	1 25 @ 3 80
SHEEP—Fair to choice.....	3 00 @ 4 70
WHEAT—No. 2 red.....	73 @ 80
No. 2 hard.....	66 @ 68
CORN—No. 2 mixed.....	32½ @ 33
OATS—No. 2 mixed.....	24½ @ 25½
RYE—No. 2.....	51½ @ 52
FLOUR—Patent, per bbl.....	3 60 @ 3 75
Fancy.....	2 65 @ 3 10
HAY—Choice timothy.....	8 50 @ 9 00
Fancy prairie.....	7 50 @ 8 00
BRAN (sacked).....	63 @ 64
BUTTER—Choice creamery.....	17 @ 20
CHEESE—Full cream.....	11 @ 11½
EGGS—Choice.....	11 @ 11½
POTATOES.....	55 @ 63

ST. LOUIS.	
CATTLE—Native and shipping	4 00 @ 5 75
Texans.....	3 00 @ 5 00
HOGS—Heavy.....	3 75 @ 4 07½
SHEEP—Fair to choice.....	3 25 @ 5 00
FLOUR—Choice.....	3 70 @ 3 80
WHEAT—No. 2 red.....	77 @ 77½
CORN—No. 2 mixed.....	34½ @ 35½
OATS—No. 2 mixed.....	28 @ 28½
RYE—No. 2.....	55 @ 56
BUTTER—Creamery.....	18 @ 22
LARD—Western mess.....	5 00 @ 5 05
PORK.....	8 37½ @ 9 12½

CHICAGO.	
CATTLE—Common to prime.....	3 50 @ 5 75
HOGS—Packing and shipping.....	3 00 @ 4 00
SHEEP—Fair to choice.....	3 25 @ 5 00
FLOUR—Winter wheat.....	3 70 @ 3 80
WHEAT—No. 2 red.....	75 @ 77½
CORN—No. 2 mixed.....	35 @ 35½
OATS—No. 2.....	27½ @ 28
RYE.....	55 @ 56½
BUTTER—Creamery.....	14 @ 19½
LARD.....	5 17½ @ 5 22½
PORK.....	8 37½ @ 9 12½

NEW YORK.	
CATTLE—Native steers.....	4 30 @ 5 60
HOGS—Good to choice.....	4 00 @ 4 25
SHEEP—Common to choice.....	3 00 @ 4 50
WHEAT—No. 2 red.....	81 @ 82½
CORN—No. 2.....	41 @ 42½
OATS—No. 2.....	32 @ 33
BUTTER.....	18 @ 20

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